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House Resolution No. 4431

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has wholeheartedly dedicated his life in service to the Lord; and

Whereas, the Reverend Tommie L. Pierson, Sr., an esteemed resident of Bellefontaine Neighbors, Missouri, is celebrating his Thirtieth Pastoral Anniversary during a weekend celebration to be held August 17-19, 2007; and

Whereas, Pastor Pierson is the founding pastor of Greater St. Mark Family Church, which has grown to more than 500 members since its inception; and

Whereas, under Pastor Pierson's leadership, Greater St. Mark was blessed with a new location at 3620 Finney Avenue on January 10, 1988, and its current location at 1229 Shepley Drive in Bellefontaine Neighbors on March 24, 1996; and

Whereas, a former employee of General Motors for thirty-two years, Pastor Pierson is exceedingly proud of the important role he has played as President of the Metropolitan Congregations United for three years, the General Baptist State Convention of Missouri, and the Riverview Gardens School Board; and

Whereas, the Human Relations Commissioner for the City of Bellefontaine Neighbors, Pastor Pierson has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include his devoted wife, JoAnn; his four children and their spouses, Linell and LeRoy Green, Tommie and Zorata Pierson, Lavinia and Earl Draper, and Leigh Dodson; and his five grandchildren, Lenzell, LeRon, Carlton, Tamia, and Alyssa:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Pastor Pierson upon this very special anniversary event; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the Reverend Tommie L. Pierson, Sr.

Rod Jetton, Speaker

Offered by	
]	Representative Gina Walsh
]	District No. 69
Ninety-four certify that	n, Speaker of the House of Representatives, th General Assembly, First Regular Session, do the above is a true and correct copy of House No. 4431, adopted August 13, 2007.